

Welcome to Perth!

A glimpse into the land 'down under'

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Perth enjoys more hours of sunshine than any other capital city in Australia. Its warm sunny climate, clear blue skies and beautiful beaches are making it an increasingly popular destination with tourists.

There is good shopping available, plenty of riverside and beachside restaurants and cafes, world-class golf courses, more than 80 kilometers (50 miles) of white sandy beaches to sunbathe on, and a mecca of outdoor activities and experiences to enjoy.

Perth is an ideal base from which you can explore the diverse surrounding attractions. Only minutes away, you can visit wineries with sumptuous lunches, swim with wild dolphins in their natural environment, holiday on an island, and explore the colorful port city of Fremantle.

A cloud of salted mist rises from the pounding ocean. Through it you can see black specks bobbing as they rise and fall on the swell, scattered like poppy seeds on an aquamarine surface.

A powerful set of 'tubes' forms and the specks become more defined as the surfers stand to ride the barrel of the wave... another day of awesome surfing has just begun.

A few kilometres away, the colorful sails of windsurfers skip across the water like butterfly wings. With 12,500 kilometres of coastline, it is no wonder that wind and wave surfing are popular pastimes in Western Australia for tourists as well as locals.

The State is internationally famed for the diversity, consistency and quality of its waves and winds.

In the south, the year-round surf can rise to three to four metres and the power of these waves is comparable to the waves found in Hawaii.

Margaret River, one of the key southern surf meccas, is the venue for the annual Coca Cola Masters. This international event, held in March, draws more than 250 of the world's best surfers.

Surfing anywhere along the southern coast offers wave riders spectacular scenery, a

